



June 2006

## NORTH PARK THEATRE WINS ARCHITECTURAL RESTORATION AWARD; ORGAN PAVILION, CABRILLO BRIDGE ALSO HONORED

I'm proud to report that this year's San Diego Historical Resources Board (SDHRB) Architectural Rehabilitation Award has been given to the North Park Theatre. The board honored the theatre as an outstanding example of rehabilitation and adaptive reuse.

The North Park Theatre was built in 1928, featuring a fly-loft for live theater productions, a full-size orchestra pit, a projection room for

motion picture exhibition, and a built-in pipe organ for musical accompaniment. It stopped showing movies in 1974 and in the late 1980s the city purchased the theater. In 2000 developer Bud Fischer approached Lyric Opera San Diego with the approval of the City of San Diego to explore a rehabilitation project, which was completed in October 2005. The Stephen and Mary Birch North Park Theatre now serves as the home of the Lyric Opera San Diego, as well as several commercial tenants, and has served as a catalyst for redevelopment in North Park.



The Stephen and Mary Birch  
North Park Theatre

The Historical Resources Board recognized Arnold "Bud" Fischer, the Lyric Opera San Diego, architect Richard Bundy, the San Diego Redevelopment Agency, and North Park Main Street for their work on the rehabilitation of the North Park Theatre; as well as my office for their continuing support of the North Park Theatre rehabilitation project.

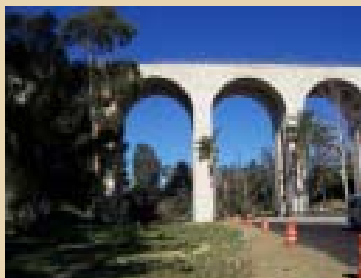
### AGENCY AWARD:

#### CALTRANS, CABRILLO BRIDGE RESTORATION

The SDHRB's Agency Award was given to CalTrans for the Cabrillo Bridge Restoration project. This award is given to a government agency for excellence and effort on behalf of historic preservation.

The Cabrillo Bridge in Balboa Park was originally built as the grand entrance to the 1915 Panama-California Exposition. In recent years,

pieces of concrete had fallen on State Route 163, endangering the public. The Cabrillo Bridge restoration project was an intensive repair and maintenance program to remove the overgrowth of vines, repair spalling concrete, install new reinforcing, and clean the wall surfaces. CalTrans spearheaded the



The Cabrillo Bridge

repair work which was focused on the center three arches above 163. The repair and restoration work was completed in December 2005 after two years of planning and construction.

The Historical Resources Board recognized CalTrans, Heritage Architecture and Planning, Melvyn Green and Associates, Erreca's Inc. and C.K. Arts for their wonderful work on the Cabrillo Bridge.

### CULTURAL LANDSCAPE AWARD:

#### ORGAN PAVILION LIGHTING RESTORATION

The board's Cultural Landscape Award is given for excellence in pursuing the preservation of cultural landscapes. This year's honoree is the City of San Diego Engineering and Capital Projects Department for the Balboa Park Organ Pavilion Lighting Restoration. The Spreckels Organ Pavilion was constructed for the 1915 Panama-California Exposition and it was intended to be one of the few permanent structures. Decorative lighting was a very important aspect of the Panama-California Exposition and the Organ Pavilion was the only building to incorporate lighting directly into the ornamentation. The

scope of the lighting restoration project was to repair the exterior decorative lighting, upgrade the electrical system to make the lighting fully functional, and to comply with current electrical codes wherever possible. The



Spreckels Organ Pavilion

restoration has been completed, restoring the Organ Pavilion's lighting to its original glory.

The Historical Resources Board recognized the City of San Diego's Engineering and Capital Projects, Parks and Recreation, and General Services Departments; Organ Pavilion Curator Lyle Blackinton; Heritage Architecture and Planning; LSW Engineers; Ace Electric; and Eagle Restoration and Builders for their outstanding work on the Organ Pavilion Lighting Restoration.

Congratulations to all the honorees for their important work and for helping to improve the aesthetics of Council District Three.

The city's fiscal year 2006-07 budget process is winding to a close as we go to press. For the first time in recent years, the council was able to pass a balanced budget that fully funded the FY2007 pension contribution, and contains no new service cuts.

I had hoped we could restore some of the service cuts of prior years, but the city is still experiencing severe budget constraints. Unfortunately, next year may be even tighter with the economy projected to slow while costs increase due to contractual salary adjustments, retiree health costs and, hopefully, higher police staffing levels. So this has been a year for caution.

We scored some small victories in this year's budget. I successfully called, with my council colleagues, for the mayor to hire 30 police civilians for positions that are currently filled by officers. This move will enable those officers to return to

## BUDGET UPDATE

their duties on the streets. You probably have read about the high attrition rates at the Police Department that are leading to shortages of officers; this budget amendment will help us to counteract that and put more officers on the beat.

I also am pleased that I was able to secure an additional \$378,000 for graffiti control, one of my top neighborhood priorities. This increased funding will boost the graffiti removal contract with Urban Corps by \$250,000 and enable the city to add an additional two-person crew of utility workers. I share many residents' frustration that graffiti continues to plague our neighborhoods. I will continue to work to find ways to address this problem.

I am happy that the council came through this budget season with a high level of agreement compared to previous years. We appreciate your patience as we continue to work to improve city services in this constrained fiscal environment.

## TIMING MAY BE RIGHT TO RECLAIM PARK LAND AT 20TH & B

One of my long-term goals as your Councilmember is to reclaim the City Operations Yard at 20th and B Streets and convert it into recreational park space. This yard is currently home to the city's General Services Department and is also occupied by other departments, including Information Technology and Communications, Park & Recreation, Water and Transportation. The majority of the site is used to store city vehicles. Much of the space used for these purposes—some 14 acres—is actually on dedicated parkland within the boundaries of Balboa Park. In fact, the 1993 East Mesa Precise Plan, the planning document for that area of the park, identifies the area as the future Pershing Recreational Complex with a mixture of active recreational uses.

The communities of Golden Hill, North Park, and Downtown have a well-documented shortage of recreational park space. This shortage will only grow more acute as these communities, especially Downtown, grow in population. I feel strongly that given the needs for park space, we can no longer afford to use this valuable parkland for vehicle maintenance and storage.

The biggest road block to reclaiming the City Operations Yard at 20th and B is the cost of finding another suitable location

and relocating these necessary city functions. Several years ago the cost of doing this was estimated at around \$36 million, and has undoubtedly increased sharply since that estimate was made. During the recent discussions concerning the Downtown Community Plan update, I noted my concern about the shortage of recreational park space for Downtown residents. I suggested that a nexus could be made for the use of downtown resources, including redevelopment dollars and Development Impact Fees, to help finance the conversion of the 20th and B yard into recreational space even though it is not located within the boundaries of Downtown. This idea has been gaining momentum, and my staff and I have had several very encouraging discussions with Mayor Sanders' staff, other city staff, and executives of the Centre City Development Corporation. I am hopeful that a tangible plan for financing the relocation of the yard and converting it to recreational uses will soon emerge.

As we move forward with this concept, I will keep you informed about any opportunities for interested members of the public to testify as to how this space can best meet the recreational needs of our area.

I promised to keep the community updated regarding the service requests submitted at the January 19th City Heights Community Convention at Our Lady of Sacred Heart Catholic Parish. At the meeting the city received over 125 service requests, a majority of which requested street and light repairs, graffiti abatement and increased police presence.

I am pleased to announce that all services requests have been routed to the appropriate city departments. Mid-City Police Captain Robert Kanaski reported that all public safety requests have been investigated. According to the Mona

## CITY HEIGHTS COMMUNITY CONVENTION UPDATE

Favorite-Hill,  
Senior Public  
Information

Officer, all potholes and street light repairs requested at the event have been completed. There were many residents that requested street resurfacing and additional traffic signals. These are more time intensive requests and will require extra evaluation and additional funding.

I applaud the community, in particular, the San Diego Organizing Project and Our Lady of Sacred Heart Organizing Ministry for working with city staff, the Police Department and my office to follow-up on their service requests.

## CITY SETS NEW ENERGY EFFICIENCY GOAL TO REDUCE POWER PLAN CALLS FOR REDUCING ENERGY DEMAND BY 50 MEGAWATTS

On May 12<sup>th</sup>, in front of the historic Casa del Prado Theatre in Balboa Park, I joined with the city's Sustainable Energy Advisory Board Chairperson Mike Turk at a news conference to announce a new initiative to achieve 50-megawatts of energy efficiency improvements in the City of San Diego over the next 10 years to reduce energy use.

Reducing energy consumption in city facilities and private buildings will eliminate the need to build new electrical generating plants, which in turn will save \$100 million--the cost of building a new plant.

In addition to saving money, reducing energy demand by 50 megawatts reduces greenhouse gases that trap heat in the atmosphere and are associated with global climate change. Fifty megawatts are equivalent to powering about 50,000 residential homes. The greenhouse gas savings are equal to removing 62,000 polluting cars from the road, or planting 127,000 acres of trees.

At the news conference, I declared the city's commitment to fulfill 10 percent of that goal by performing efficiency upgrades in city-owned facilities. In the past year, the city has upgraded 84 structures and reduced the electrical needs by more than 2.3 million kilowatt-hours a year.

In the most recent example, the Casa del Prado building and theatre received an energy efficiency retrofit completed in March 2006. The retrofit upgraded lighting, air conditioning and installed energy-management software. The building now uses 30 percent less energy that it did before the retrofit, which means a lower energy bill to city taxpayers by an estimated \$110,000 a year.



Councilmember Atkins accepted a check representing the amount of the city's energy savings (above) and addressed the media in front of the Casa del Prado Theatre (below).



Irene Stillings, executive director of the San Diego Regional Energy Office (SDREO), presented a symbolic \$54,500 check to me, Chairperson Turk and Elmer L. Heap Jr., director of the city's Environmental Services Department. The check represents a rebate for energy efficiency improvements to Casa del Prado.

Energy efficiency upgrades to city buildings are funded by SDREO rebates and a loan from the California Energy Commission. The loan will be repaid with the funds freed up from the energy savings.

I continue to urge San Diego residents to do their part to reach the 50-megawatt goal by replacing inefficient home appliances such as 10+ year old refrigerators, outdated, watt-wasting lighting, and by upgrading air conditioning systems in homes and businesses. One way to do this is to look for the Energy

Star label when replacing electrical equipment or appliances. Energy Star is a federal-government backed program to protect the environment and reduce energy costs.

The sad fact is that the nation's energy costs have increased 500 percent over the last 10 years and will keep on increasing in the future, so the time to act is now.

For more information on energy rebate and efficiency programs, visit [www.sdge.com](http://www.sdge.com), [www.sdenenergy.org](http://www.sdenenergy.org), and [www.sandiego.gov/environmental-services/](http://www.sandiego.gov/environmental-services/).

## OLD HOUSE FAIR NEEDS HOME TOUR GUIDES

The eighth annual San Diego Old House Fair is a community street fair and historic home tour in San Diego's unique community of South Park in Golden Hill.

The event needs 50 volunteers on Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., to assist tour visitors through one of the five private, historic homes. Shifts can last from three to six hours, depending on the availability of morning or afternoon shifts. Each volunteer will receive one free ticket to the home tour and lunch at the street fair.



Volunteers will also be able to enjoy live musical performances well known local artists, the unique merchants in Golden Hill, a Taste of Golden Hill, and opportunities to meet restoration specialists.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the event's coordinator, Michael Ruiz, at [Mfrui@gmail.com](mailto:Mfrui@gmail.com).

## 2007 CDBG ALLOCATIONS ANNOUNCED

The City Council finalized the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) allocations for Fiscal Year 2007 in early May. The main themes of my funding decisions for Council District Three this year are affordable housing, neighborhood revitalization, microenterprise, infrastructure and social service needs. Council District Three will receive \$1,777,086 in funds from the federal government this year under the CDBG program.

With more than \$5.3 million dollars in funding requests, I made 73 separate allocations totaling \$1,366,813. The largest single allocation of \$338,652 represents the third of 12 annual payments on a \$3.7 million HUD Section 108 Infrastructure loan that will allow for the full and expedited funding of 11 major streetscape and neighborhood improvement projects throughout the district.

As a passionate advocate for affordable housing, I directed the following funds to help spur first-time homeownership and ensure equal access to housing throughout the district.

Community HousingWorks: \$102,000  
 San Diego Home Loan Counseling Center: \$20,000  
 Fair Housing Council of San Diego: \$5,000  
 City Heights CDC: \$35,000  
 Townspeople: \$60,000  
 Senior Community Centers: \$20,000

As a longtime supporter of small businesses, which are crucial to the District Three economy, I have supported the following organizations that foster micro-enterprise, small business, and employment development efforts in underserved communities.

ACCION: \$10,000  
 Union of Pan Asian Communities: \$30,000  
 International Rescue Committee: \$15,000  
 Southwestern Community College: \$4,000  
 San Diego Hispanic Chamber of Commerce: \$5,000  
 Comprehensive Training Systems: \$4,000

Three community development corporations (CDCs) were also funded at substantial levels for a variety of funding needs.

City Heights CDC: \$65,000  
 Greater Golden Hill CDC: \$25,000  
 University Heights CDC: \$28,000

Funds were also allocated to several business associations that promote and foster the growth of local businesses.

Adams Avenue Business Association: \$60,000  
 El Cajon Blvd. Business Improvement Association: \$60,000  
 North Park Main Street: \$50,000  
 City Heights Business Association: \$63,500

Specific neighborhoods also received funding for specialized projects.

Azalea Park Neighborhood Association: \$22,500  
 Castle Neighborhood Association: \$1,000  
 Fairmount Park Neighborhood Association: \$500

I continued my support for social service organizations and health care providers which serve my district.

Mid-City Clinic: \$20,000  
 La Maestra Family Clinic: \$25,000  
 Family Health Centers: \$30,000  
 Comprehensive Health Center: \$12,000  
 Access Center: \$4,000  
 Alpha of San Diego: \$2,000  
 Deaf Community Services: \$5,000  
 Live and Let Live Alano Club: \$10,000  
 LGBT Community Center: \$30,000  
 ElderHelp: \$55,000  
 Becky's House: \$4,000

Other notable allocations include:

Pro-active code enforcement: \$70,000  
 Senior Community Centers: \$10,000  
 Safe Streets San Diego: \$10,000  
 Lyric Opera of San Diego: \$10,000  
 World Beat Center: \$22,500  
 Girl Scouts of America: \$10,000

Additionally, as I have done in the past, I continued my commitment to infrastructure with the following allocations:

Mid-block street lighting program: \$50,000  
 San Diego-Imperial Counties Labor Council: \$13,000  
 Urban Corps of San Diego: \$15,000  
 People For Trees: \$10,000

I'm confident that we used these funds wisely so that a diverse group of worthwhile organizations and projects can help continue the dramatic revitalization of our older urban neighborhoods in Council District Three. I believe that the true intent of the federal CDBG program will be met, and in many cases exceeded by these allocations.

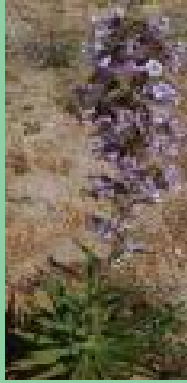
*For a more detailed accounting of the City of San Diego's fiscal year 2007 Community Development Block Grant allocations, please visit:*

<http://www.sandiego.gov/cdbg/pdf/cdbgallocate07.pdf>

## HIKERS AND STROLLERS: BEWARE THE FLOWERS!

As many of our local foothill areas continue the natural healing process from the fire scars of the last few years, Mother Nature is providing a few surprises.

One worth mentioning is in the colorful Poodle-dog bush, *Turricula parryi*. This beautiful purple flowered plant has populated many of the burned areas from the 2003 fires. However, touching this beautiful flowering plant can lead to severe dermatitis in many people, typical of that associated with poison oak. Symptoms include blistering, itchy irritation and swelling of the skin. Symptoms may not present themselves for 12-36 hours after exposure and no pain is experienced at the time of contact.



Poodle-dog bush

All contact with the plant including touching, smelling flowers, and breathing particulate matter should be avoided as you would avoid poison oak.

## ATKINS RECEIVES MARSTON HOUSE MEMENTO FROM HISTORICAL SOCIETY

On May 17th, I was presented with a framed, historic photo of the Marston House in Balboa Park from The Friends of the Marston House and the San Diego Historical Society. I was able to allocate \$78,000 toward the repair of cracked and broken lathe ceilings in many of the downstairs rooms. Prior to the work, many of the ceilings were literally falling down, especially in the living room. Master craftsman Owen Sutton, and his plaster crew, took painstaking efforts to restore the ceiling, and the results are beautiful!

I also wanted to extend my gratitude to Park and Recreation Park Planning staff April Penner and Charlie Daniels for managing the project with the plaster contractor and the Historical Society. They identified additional funds to complete work on the remaining downstairs ceilings and to start work on the brick facade on the exterior of the building.



San Diego Historical Society Board Chair Hal Sadler presents Councilmember Atkins with a photo of the Marston House.

## NORMAL HEIGHTS CELEBRATES CENTENNIAL

Normal Heights celebrated its centennial on May 9th at a dinner held at the Normal Heights Community Center. This date is memorialized as Normal Heights' birthday because on that day in 1906 the County Board of Supervisors approved Subdivision Map No. 985, thereby accepting the avenues, streets, places and alleys indicated on the map and designating it Normal Heights.

There were close to 100 community members in attendance at the dinner, including Mayor Sanders and County Supervisor Ron Roberts. Unfortunately, I could not attend due to a special evening City Council meeting that took place in La Jolla. My Chief of Staff, Denise Price, attended on my behalf and joined with Mayor Sanders in presenting a special City Council resolution sponsored by me honoring Normal Heights Centennial Day in the City of San Diego.

Congratulations and thank you to the residents and businesses of Normal Heights who have contributed to this wonderful neighborhood over the past 100 years.

## UNIVERSITY HGTS. PLANNING GROUP STEERING COMMITTEE HOLDING MONTHLY MEETINGS

As many of you may already know, University Heights is currently split down Park Boulevard into two planning groups. The section of University Heights west of Park Boulevard belongs to Uptown Planners and the section east of Park Boulevard belongs to the Greater North Park Community Planning Group. There is a current movement within University Heights to establish its own planning group. A steering committee currently meets on the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the church on the corner of Park Boulevard and Meade Avenue. This community steering group is co-chaired by Mary Wendorf and Beth Jaworski. For more information on the group please contact the University Heights Community Development Corporation at (619) 297-3166.

I want to state publicly and clearly that I am neither for nor against the creation of University Heights' own planning group. I am behind the community on whatever they decide as a whole. I simply want to help get the word out so that as many University Heights residents as possible can be informed of this proposed change and participate in the process if they so choose.

# UPCOMING DISTRICT THREE STREET FAIRS, PARADES, CONCERTS AND FESTIVALS

## City Heights International Village Celebration

University Avenue between Fairmount Ave. and Euclid Ave.  
Saturday, June 3; 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Contact: 619/584-1535

## Old House Fair

30th Street and Beech Street, South Park  
Saturday, June 17; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Contact: 619/233-6679

## 19th Annual International Summer Organ Festival

Through August 29th  
Monday evenings at 7:30 p.m.; Free admission  
Spreckels Organ Pavilion, Balboa Park  
**June 19** – Opening Night: Carol Williams, Civic Organist with Virginia Sublett, soprano; Kathleen Helm, soprano  
**June 26** – Diane Bish, international television personality  
**July 3** – Robert Plimpton, San Diego Civic Organist emeritus; Patricia McAfee, soprano  
**July 10** – Janette Fishell & Colin Andrews, organ duo  
**July 17** – Donald MacKenzie, theater organist  
**July 24** – Richard Elliott, Tabernacle organist and accompanist for the Mormon Tabernacle Choir  
**July 31** – Movie Night with Dennis James  
**August 7** – Paul Jacobs, concert organist  
**August 14** – Ray Cornils, Municipal Organist, Portland, Maine  
**August 21** – Stephen Tharp, concert organist  
**August 29** (Tuesday) – *Grand Finale – An Evening with George Gerswhin*, Carol Williams, Civic Organist; Clark Sterling, vocal; Michael Morgan, bass

## North Park Community Association

### Bird Park Summer Concert Series

Saturdays, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., at Bird Park, 29th and Upas.  
Free admission. No alcohol, glass, grills or unleashed dogs.  
**July 1** – Jack Tempchin & Rocket Science (classic songwriter/rocker from the Eagles era)  
**July 15** – Bolga Zohdommah (hi-energy, highlife style music and dance from Ghana)  
**July 29** – Jangada (hot Brazilian groove)  
**August 5** – Working Cowboy Band (Texas swing and honky tonk)  
**August 19** – Big Rig Deluxe (rockabilly, swing, jump blues)  
**Sept. 2** – TBD  
For more information, go to: [www.npcasummerconcerts.org](http://www.npcasummerconcerts.org)

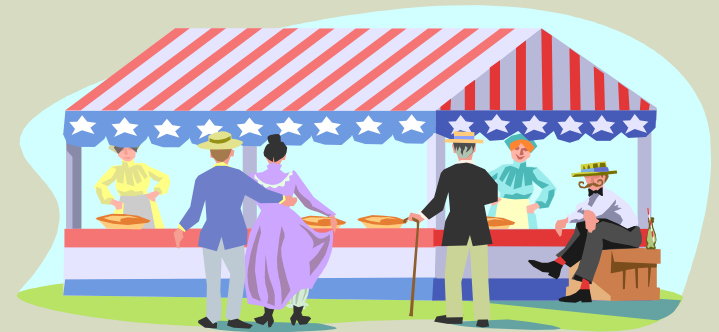
## University Heights CDC's

### Summer In The Park Concert Series

Trolley Barn Park, Adams Avenue and Florida Street  
Friday evenings, 6 to 8 p.m., Free admission  
**July 7** – Upstream (reggae; calypso and soca)  
**July 14** – Len Rainey and The Midnight Players (blues and jazz)  
**July 21** – Nitro Express, (classic country; swing, rhythm & blues)  
**July 28** – The Bigfellas (cabaret; hip hop; country & rock)  
**August 4** – Lady Dotti and The Diamonds (blues & jazz)  
**August 11** – Clyde and The Moonlighters ("oldie" favorites)  
**August 18** – Sue Palmer (boogie-woogie & swing)  
Contact: 619/297-3166

## LGBT Pride Rally, Parade, and Festival

**Rally:** Pride Festival Main Stage, Juniper Street and Balboa Drive: Friday, July 28; 7:00 p.m.  
**Parade:** Hillcrest, University Ave. between Normal Street and Sixth Avenue: Saturday, July 29; 11 a.m.  
**Festival:** Balboa Park at Sixth Ave. and Juniper St.: Sat., July 29; Noon to 10 p.m., Sun., July 30; 11a.m. to 8 p.m.  
Contact: 619/297-7683



## CityFest

Hillcrest, Fifth Ave. between University Ave. and Upas St.  
Sunday, August 13; 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.  
Contact: 619/299-3330

## Adams Avenue Street Fair

Adams Avenue between Felton Street and 35th Street  
Saturday, September 23; 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.  
Sunday, September 24; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Contact: 619/282-7329

## AIDS Walk

Balboa Park, Sixth Avenue and Quince Street  
Sunday, Oct. 1; 8 a.m. to Noon  
Contact: 619/291-9255

# DISTRICT THREE IMPORTANT INFORMATION

## MONTHLY DISTRICT THREE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

### Balboa Park Committee

Santa Fe Room of the Balboa Park Club (Off Presidents Way west of Park Blvd.)

Meets the first Thursday of the month, 6:30pm

Contact: Darlene Davies, chair: ddavies@mail.sdsu.edu

### City Heights Planning Committee

Metro Career Center, Community Room, 3910 University Avenue

Meets the first Monday of the Month, 6:30pm

Contact: Jim Varnadore, Chair, 619/280-3910.

### Greater Golden Hill Planning Committee (GGHPC)

Balboa Golf Course Clubhouse, Golden Hill

Meets the second Wednesday of the month, 6:30pm

Contact: Patricia Shields, Chair, (619) 295-1374.

### Greater North Park Community Planning Committee

North Park Christian Fellowship, Second Floor, 2901 North Park Way

Meets the third Tuesday of the month, 6:30pm.

Contact: John McGaughy, Chair, (619) 574-1135, or jstewardstudios@aol.com

### Kensington/Talmadge Planning Group

Kensington Community Church, 4773 Marlborough Drive

Meets the second Wednesday of the month, 6:30pm.

Contact: Fred Lindahl, Chair, 619/287-3157.

### Normal Heights Community Planning Group

4649 Hawley Boulevard

Meets the first Tuesday of the month, 6:00pm

Contact: Judy Elliot, Chair, 619/563-5473.

### Uptown Planners

Joyce Beers Community Center, 1230 Cleveland Ave. in the Uptown District

Meets the first Tuesday of the month, 6:30pm

Contact: Leo Wilson, Chair, 619/574-0109.

## How To Contact Us

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## MONTHLY BUSINESS ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

### Adams Avenue Business Association

4649 Hawley Boulevard

Meets the first Tuesday of the month, 7:30am

Contact: 619/282-7329

### City Heights Business Association

Board meetings: second Wednesday of every month at 8am at the Metro Career Center Community Room, 3910 University Avenue.

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 5588, San Diego, CA 92165

Phone: 619/516-2282

### El Cajon Blvd. Business Improvement Association

3727 El Cajon Boulevard

Meets the second Thursday of the month, 11:30am

Contact: 619/283-3608

### Hillcrest Association

Joyce Beers Community Center, 1230 Cleveland Ave. in the Uptown District

Meets the second Tuesday of the month, 5:00pm

Contact: 619/299-3330.

### North Park Main Street

3076 University Avenue

Meets the second Wednesday of the month, 7:00am

## MONTHLY REDEVELOPMENT MEETINGS

### City Heights Project Area Committee

Metro Career Center, Community Room, 3910 University Ave.

Meets the second Monday of the month, 6pm

Contact: Karen Bucey, Chair, 619/957-5818.

### North Park Project Area Committee

California Nat'l Bank, 3180 University Ave., 2nd Floor

Meets the second Tuesday of the month, 7:00pm

Contact: Roger Lewis, Chair, at 619/881-8977, or the city staff member at 619/533-5284.

## COMMUNITY RELATIONS OFFICERS

Rick Castro (City Heights East) -- 619/515-2733

Rick Edgil (Hillcrest, North Park, University Heights) -- 619/291-1729

Richard Fox (Normal Heights, Kensington/Talmadge) -- 619/531-2815

Gary Gonzales (Golden Hill, South Park) -- 619/744-9500

Pat Norris (Fairmount Park) -- 619/531-1515

Jim Tulumello (City Heights West) -- 619/516-3009

## District Three Staff

**Denise Price,** Chief of Staff.

**Dale Kelly Bankhead,** Press Secretary; LGBT community liaison; HIV/AIDS issues; Chargers/Qualcomm Stadium; newsletter; webpage; special orders of business.

**April Chesebro,** Council Representative to Kensington, Talmadge, South Park, Golden Hill and University Heights; African-American community liaison; homeless and senior issues.

**Daisy Gordon Crompton,** Committee Consultant to the Committee on Budget and Finance; housing issues.

**Stephen Hill,** Policy Advisor/Council Representative to Metropolitan Transit System, SANDAG transportation, environment, libraries, arts and culture, land use citywide; MSCP, Transit Occupancy Tax, water issues, military/veterans issues; Council docket coordinator.

**Pam Ison,** Council Representative to City Heights; liaison to Asian/Pacific Islander community; City Heights redevelopment; school liaison and education issues; women's, youth, health and Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) issues; Community Development Block Grants.

**Cheli Mohamed,** Executive Assistant to Councilmember Atkins and Chief of Staff Denise Price.

**Monica Pelaez,** Council Representative to North Park and Normal Heights; liaison to the Latino community; Police Department liaison and public safety issues; Fire and Life Safety Services liaison.

**Jeffery Tom,** Council Representative to Balboa Park, Uptown and Hillcrest; infrastructure, citywide business issues, energy, telecommunications, BID Council.

## District Three Community/Neighborhood Meetings

### City Heights

Azalea Park Neighborhood Association: Meets the second Tuesday of the month at 2596 Violet Street at 6:30pm. Contact: [info@azaleapark.org](mailto:info@azaleapark.org)

Cherokee Point Neighborhood Association: Meets the fourth Wednesday at 6:30pm, Cherokee Point Elementary School, 3735 38th Street. Contact: 619/285-1611.

City Heights Community Development Corporation: Meets the second Thursday of each month at 6pm at 4283 El Cajon Boulevard. 619/584-1535.

Fairmount Park Neighborhood Association: Meets the third Thursday of the month at 3850 Westgate Place at 6:30pm. Contact: [FairmountPark92105@yahoo.com](mailto:FairmountPark92105@yahoo.com).

San Diego Model School Development Agency: Meets the fourth Thursday of each month at 10:00am at the Metro Career Center, 3910 University Avenue. For more information call Robin Allen at 619/578-7537, or check out [www.sdmodelschool.net](http://www.sdmodelschool.net).

South Castle Neighborhood Association: Meets the third Tuesday of each month at 6:00pm at the Buddhist Temple, 3322 Central Avenue. For more information, contact Laurie Carlock at (619) 284-3118.

Swan Canyon: Meets the third Wednesday of the month at 3120 Euclid Avenue at 6:30 p.m. Contact Becky at [rebecca@bairfinancial.com](mailto:rebecca@bairfinancial.com).

Teralta West Neighborhood Alliance: Meets every first and third Thursday of the month at 4286 Marlborough Street at 6:30pm. Contact: 619/281-3551.

### Golden Hill

Greater Golden Hill Community Development Corporation (GGHCDC): Meetings are held the third Thursday of each month at 6:30pm at the Balboa Park Golf Course Clubhouse. Contact: 619/696-9992

### Kensington

The Kensington/Talmadge Community Association: Meets every third Wednesday at the Kensington Community Church, 4773 Marlborough Drive, beginning at 7pm. (dinner for a reasonable price is served prior)

### Normal Heights

Normal Heights Cultural Council: Meets the third Thursday of each month from 6:00pm-7:30pm at 4649 Hawley Boulevard.

### North Park

Altadena Neighborhood Association: Board meetings are the first Wednesday of the month at Santos Coffee at Thorn and 32nd streets. Contact: 619/280-6662.

Burlingame Neighborhood Association: Meets the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00pm at different locations each month. Contact: [dbyrne4bna@cox.net](mailto:dbyrne4bna@cox.net).

North Park Community Association: Meets the fourth Thursday of each month at 6pm at North Park Christian Fellowship Church, 2901 North Park Way.

### South Park

The South Park Action Council: Meetings are held bi-weekly on Mondays at 6:00 p.m. and last one hour. For information, e-mail Co-Chairs: Samantha Keenan at [samkeenan@cox.net](mailto:samkeenan@cox.net) or Connie McDonough at [conniemcdonough@cox.net](mailto:conniemcdonough@cox.net).

### Talmadge

The Kensington/Talmadge Community Association (see Kensington)

The Talmadge Community Council (TCC): Meets every third Tuesday at 4725 Lucille Drive beginning at 6:30pm.

### University Heights

The University Heights Community Development Corporation (CDC): Meets on the first Wednesday of the month at the CDC office located at 4452 Park Blvd, Suite 104, at 6:30pm.

The University Heights Crime Watch and Neighborhood Association: Meets on the first Thursday of the month at Alice Birney School Auditorium, 4345 Campus Avenue. Crime Watch at 6:30pm; UHNA at 7:00pm

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